

IN LOVING MEMORY
of
BROTHER SAM FORTUNE III

SUNRISE:
July 30th, 1954

SUNSET:
December 18th, 1998



SERVICE HELD

Wednesday, December 23, 1998

11:00 AM

**GOOD SAMARITAN CATHEDRAL
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**

*625 West MacArthur Blvd., Oakland, California
Elder Donald Murray, Host Pastor*

OFFICIANTS:

*Superintendent, Gordon W. Choyce Sr.
Reverend Melvin Scott*

A Loving



Son



Friend



Brother

OBITUARY
of
SAM FORTUNE III

Sam Fortune III was born on July 30th, 1954 in Bakersfield, California. He was the fifth of seven children born to Sam and Arra Fortune, Jr.

Upon moving to Berkeley, California, he attended schools in the Berkeley Unified School District. He furthered his education by Attending a four - year apprentice program to become a Journeyman Electrician. He was employed with International Brotherhood of The Electrical Workers Local 595 Union. Sam accepted Jesus Christ at an early age at the Missionary Church of God In Christ, under the pastorate of the late Superintendent Thirland Daniels.

Music and people were Sam's passion. A special talented person with a foundation of religious influence coupled with playing the saxophone, enabled him to travel extensively and bring joy in his travels. Sam loved his family deeply and demonstrated his love to everyone he came in contact with.

Although his sudden death caused sadness to those that knew and loved him, those of us who remain behind remember his laugh, his sense of humor, and celebrate the fact that we were touched by such a special person.

Sam leaves to cherish his loving memories, his parents, Sam and Arra Fortune Jr. , Janie L. Brazier of Federal Way, Washington, Calleen and Raoul Fulcher, Sr. of Oakland California, William L. and JoAnn Fortune of Vacaville, California; Gwendolyn and Donald White Sr. of Elk Grove California; Eugene and Toni Fortune of Berkeley, California, Leslie Fortune of Berkeley, California a devoted friend, Lela Levias, a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

- Musical Prelude.....Rev. Charles R. Webb*
- Processional.....Clergy, Family and Friends*
- Invocation.....Pastor Alfred Fisher*
- Scripture.....Old Testament (Ps.91:1-2) Min. Woody Green*
New Testament(I Corin. 15:51-52)Pastor A.L. Willis
- Selection..... Missionary COGIC Inspirational Choir*
- Reflections (two minutes please).....Bro. Nathan Garret,*
Bro. Gene Ransom, Pastor A. Simms.
- Instrumental Selections.....Bro. Carl Wheeler*
- Solo....." I Won't Complain"Elder Bob Carroll*
- Family Tributes..... Bro. Roma cio Fulcher*
Bro. Rashawn Fulcher
Sis. Varon Brown
- Selection.....The Webb Sisters*

Family Tributes.....Bro. Calvin Liggins
Bro. Michael Tatmon

Solo: "So Hard to say Goodbye ".....Bro. Keith Brown

Family Tributes.....Bro. Eugene Fortune
Bro. William L. Fortune
Missionary Gwendolyn White

Expressions from Clergy and other Officials.....

Poem: "There is a Reason"..... Missionary Cathy Tatmon

Acknowledgment of Cards, Condolences
and Obituary.....Sis. Dorothy Jenkins

Instrumental Solo.....Bro. Kevin Moore

Eulogy.....Reverend Melvin Scott, Pastor
Power House Evangelistic Center

Parting view.....Fouche-Hudson staff in charge

Recessional.....

*(We ask all who will be participating in the graveside service to please go directly
to your cars. Thank you.)*

INTERMENT

Mountain View Cemetery
Piedmont, California

"THERE IS A REASON"

For every pain that we must bear,

For every sorrow, every care,

There is a reason.

For every falsehood that is said,

For every teardrop that is shed,

There is a reason.

For every grief, for every trial,

For every lonely weary mile,

There is a reason

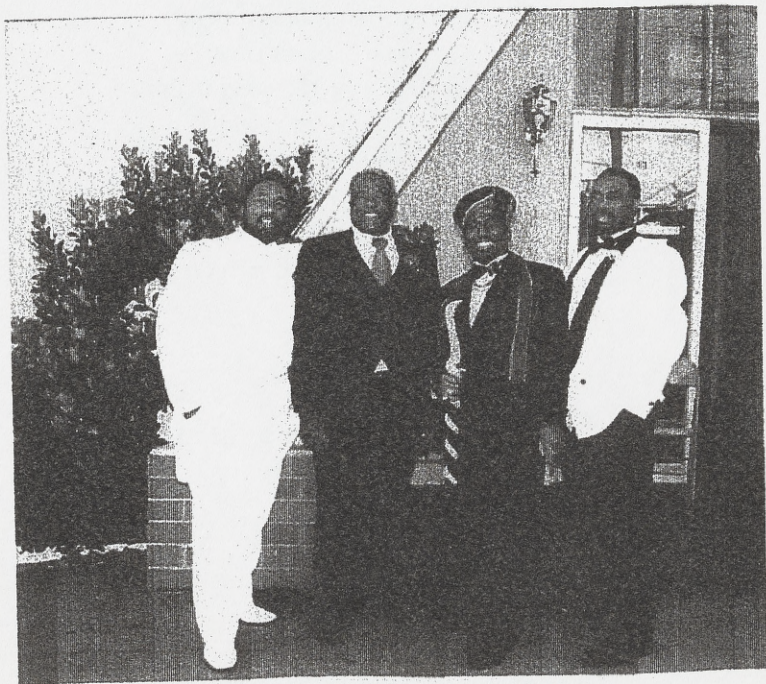
But if we trust Him as we should

All will work out for our own good.

God knows the reason.



WE'LL MISS YOU SAM.....



GONE, BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN.....

PALLBEARERS

<i>Bro. Anthony Fortune</i>	<i>Bro. Calvin Liggins</i>
<i>Bro. Clifford Fortune</i>	<i>Bro. Sylvester Bryant</i>
<i>Bro. Etheridge Marks III</i>	<i>Bro. Michael Tatmon</i>
<i>Bro. Richy Casimere</i>	<i>Bro. Chaz L. Bennett</i>

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

*Perhaps you sang a lovely song,
Or sat quietly in a chair,
Perhaps you sent a flower,
If so we saw it there
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
That any friend could say
Perhaps you were not there at all
Just thinking of us on this day
Whatever you did to console our hearts
We thank you so much, whatever the part*

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